

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 20 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling a traveler to order a printed publication from public transport facilities and while traveling to the traveler's destination, comprising:

providing a traveler access to a catalog ~~catalogue~~ from which publications can be selected, wherein the traveler can review ordering information about available publications;

providing ~~provided~~ an electronic interface having a network connection to ~~publish print~~ print on demand facilities, said electronic interface providing a means from which the traveler can select and order the preparation of at least one publication for pick-up by the traveler at a destination also selected by the traveler, wherein the selection and ordering can occur while the traveler ~~customer~~ is awaiting travel, en-route on public transportation, or preparing to disembark public transportation wherein the print on demand system performs the printing of the at least one publication and binding of the at least one publication block.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the catalog can be made available in printed form ~~or electronically to the electronic interface through the communications network.~~

3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in the catalog.

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4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein preview and selection can be provided through an electronic interface ~~interfaces~~ including at least one of a land based kiosk, on-board data communications systems or a wireless data appliance.
5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
automatically providing the selection electronically to a production facility ~~facilities~~ near the destination selected by the traveler, ~~where at~~ wherein the selection is produced by the print on demand system.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein the catalog can be made available in printed form or electronically to the electronic interface through the communications network.
7. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in the catalog.
8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5 wherein preview and selection can be provided through an electronic interface ~~interfaces~~ including at least one of a land based kiosk, on-board data communications systems or a wireless data appliance.
9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5, further comprising:
automatically scheduling physical distribution of the selection at a pick-up facility ~~facilities~~ at the destination selected by the traveler, wherein the selection is made available to the traveler through on-site ~~distribution facilities~~ authentication of the traveler's identity at the pick-up facility ~~distribution facilities~~.

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10. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein the catalog can be made available in printed form or electronically to the electronic interface through the communications network.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in the catalog.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9 wherein preview and selection can be provided through an electronic interface ~~interfaces~~ including at least one of a land based kiosk, on-board data communications systems or a wireless data appliance.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for automatically producing a publication ~~ordered by a traveler while the traveler is en-route and having the publications ready for pick-up by traveling customers after the customer's arrival at their destination or a destination of their choosing~~, comprising:

receiving an electronic order for a publication over an electronic network from a traveler using a remote electronic interface;

producing the publication using a print on demand ~~publish-on-demand~~ system located near a destination selected by the traveler for pick-up of the publication wherein the printing of the publication and publication cover and the binding of the publication block is performed by the print on demand system; and

distributing the publication to a pick-up facility located at the destination selected by the traveler for pick-up of the publication.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein a catalog can be made available electronically to the traveler through the remote electronic interface.

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15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 14 wherein publication preview and selection can be provided to the traveler through the remote electronic interface which can include at least one of a land based kiosk, on-board data communications systems or a wireless data appliance.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the traveler can preview available publication selections in a printed catalog prior to providing ~~an~~ the electronic order over the electronic network using the electronic interface.

17. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising:

providing the publication to the traveler at the destination selected for pick-up by the traveler upon authentication of at least one of the traveler's identity, a passcode or a receipt.

18. (Original) A system for automatically producing a publication ~~ordered by a traveler while the traveler is en-route and having the publications ready for pick-up by traveling customers after the customer's arrival at their destination or a destination of their choosing,~~ the system comprising:

a server connected to an electronic network for receiving publication orders from travelers using an electronic interface for submitting orders to the server;

a database containing publications available for purchase selection by the travelers; and

at least one print on demand ~~print-on-demand~~ system located near pick-up destinations that can be selected by the travelers for obtaining the purchase selection orders.

19. (Original) The system of claim 18, further comprising means for the authentication of at least one of the traveler's identity, a passcode or a receipt.

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20. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 18 wherein ~~the server is adapted for receiving order data from the~~ electronic interface includes ~~interfaces including~~ land based kiosks, on-board data communications systems or wireless data appliances.